

REMARKS

Reexamination and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 3 under 35 USC 103(a) as being obvious in view of the combination of Akimoto and Wysocki. Claim 1 has been canceled, and claim 3 has been amended to depend from rewritten, and now independent, claim 2. Therefore, the Examiner's rejection is now moot.

The Examiner objected to claim 2 and indicated that claim 2 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of base claim 1. This indication of allowability is noted and appreciated.

In response, claim 2 has been amended into independent form to include the limitations of claim 1, now canceled. In addition, claim 3 has been amended to depend now from claim 2 rather than from canceled claim 1, and to correct a misspelled term.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. A prompt notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Although no additional fees are believed to be due, permission is hereby given to charge any unforeseen fees to deposit account 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,



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